# VIRGINIA CONVENTION OF 1850-'51 WROUGHT REVOLUTIONARY CHANGES

The "Declaration of Rights" Was Amended for the First Time Since its Adoption-White Manhood Suffrage and Public Free Schools Provided for.

(Written for The Times.)
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generation, appear to have been wiser than their sons. An act was passed March 4th, 188e, "to take the sense of the people upon the call of a convention, and providing for organizing the same." By its terms, if the people voted affirmatively, the Governor was to make proclamation of the fact, and also that an election for delegates to the convention would be held on a day named in the act, to-wit, on the fourth Thursday in August ensuing. The act also appor-tioned the State into districts, somewhat arbitrarily, it appears, following the lines neither of legislative nor senatorial dis-

The important fact remains that they did not take two bites at a cherry, and an expensive cherry at that; while the measure of like nature passed by our last Legure of like nature passed by our last con-leasure provided only for taking the sense of the people upon the call of a conven-tion. Thus a special session of the Legis-fature—which is an expensive luxury in many ways-becomes necessary, or else the convention must be deferred till the

year 1903.

The convention assembled at Richmond October 14th, 1850. When the roster of the names of members is read there is no suggestion of the roll of Battle Abbey. Hardly an echo of '29-'39 is heard. Yet, there were some wise and great

men in the convention, whose fame had not vet attained its zenith; men who deserved well of their country then, and who served it nobly and heroically in the crisis that came ten years later.

CONSPICUOUS MEMBERS.

To name some of the more conspicuous, following the order of the Journal, there were Henry A. Wise, Tazeweij Taylor, John R. Chambliss, John Y. Mason, Robert G. Scott, John A Meredith, John Minor Botts, James Lyons, Robert C. Stanard, M. Boats, James Byons, Robert C. Scanali, M. R. H. Garnett, Beverly Douglass, R. L. T. Beale, R. C. L. Moncure, John R. Edmunde, Thomas J. Randolph, Robert E. Scott, Chas. J. Faulkner, Andrew Hunter, John Leicher, Waitman T. Wiley, James Neeson, Gideon D. Camden, John S. Carley, W. Supposed Allen T. Caron.

Neeson, Gideon D. Camden, John S. Car-lile, George W. Summers, Allen T. Caper-ton and Joseph Johnson.

John Y. Mason was elected president, receiving 90 votes to 18 for Geo. W. Hop-kins, and 12 for Henry A. Wise.

This body appears to have been consid-ered a "Reform" convention, and reform

ti did with a vengeance. For the first time since its original and unanimous adoption, in 1776, the "Declaration of Rights" was amended, yet in mutters so immaterial and hypercritical as to be hardly worth mentioning, except as evidence of the iconoclastic spirit of the time. It is the assiration of many particity Vir. It is the aspiration of many patriotic Vir-ginians that the next convention shall re-enact that sacred muniment of the people's rights just as it stands in the journa!

of the convention of 1776.

White manhood suffrage—what was called "universal suffrage" until we learned in sorrow that "universal" could have a larger meaning—was adopted, and Demos became King, with every badge of au-

became King, with every badge of authority but sceptre and crown.

Suffrage continued to be viva voce, but dumb persons might use ballots.

FEATURES OF THE CONSTITUTION.

Here are some of the features of the Constitution then framed: "No person holding a lucrative office, no minister of the Gospel or priest of any religious denomination, no saluried officer of any banking corporation or company, and no attorney for the Commonwealth shall be attorney for the Commonwealth shall be capable of being elected a member of either house of the General Assembly." So reads section 7 of Article IV., and in it there is much food for reflection.

Appearances point to serious differences among Congregationalists. The trouble is over the administration of that religious body's benevolencies, and affects almost every Congregational Church in the country. Discussion that is not always unmixed with criticism is general. It is from the churches, and is directed toward the six missionary societies. It is not new, but there is a new phase of it. It is called the Committee of Nine. In order to understand the matter some history and more explanation is needed. Both are interesting, however, and the interests affected are large and farreaching.

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This Committee of Nine represents the six boards. There is a Committee of Fliteen, which was appointed by the National Council, and presumably represents the churches. As far as anybody can find out, the objects of these committees are not identical, or if they are so, they indicate a desire on the part of the boards to do what the churches have expressed a desire that they should do, but to do it not precisely in the way or the time of the churches, but according to the notions and opinions of the executives of the boards.

The National Council's Committee of Flitteen was appointed at Portland two years ago. This council voiced the churches in saying that while it is true that larger contributions are demanded, it is also true that the churches ought to have the largest possible voice in the administration of the boards. Protest was entered against the absurd method of having two to four organizations at work in the same fields. Some discussion was also had about the cost of administration, especially of the expense of maintaining from five to forty field secretaries, who draw salaries from mission funds to 50 to the churches and beg the gifts.

This latter point has long caused much discussion among the congregations.

(Written for The Times.)

CONGREGATIONALISTS AT ODDS.

Too Many Persons Are Employed for the Amount of

Work Accomplished-Members of the Denomi-

nation in All Sections of the Country

Interested in the Contest.

The Legislature met once in two years, but no session should continue longer than days without the concurrence of three-fifths of the members of each house, nor for an additional period longer

"A capitation tax, equal to the tax as-sessed on land of the value of two hundred dollars" was levied on each white male inhabitant of mature age, "and one equal molety" of such tax upon white persons was applied to the "purposes of education in primary and free schools," Little development of the free school sys-tem as now understood was obtained under

this provision. Provision was first made by this conven

tion for a Treasurer and an Auditor of Public Accounts, and for a Board of Pub-

The State was divided into judicial cir-cuits, districts and sections, and all the judges were elected by the popular vote, instead of by the Legislature as under former Constitutions. Also the election of magistrates was committed to the people-four for each magisterial district. These chose a presiding justice from their own body, who, with not less than two associates, constituted the County Court.

It will be seen from the changes noted that the whole trend of the time was toward the people: "trust the people" in

ward the people: "trust the people" in everything and in all things.
Following and enlarging the precedent set by the Convention of 1829-39, the Constitution was submitted to the people for ratification or rejection; and the officers conducting the election were required to receive and record the votes of all persons qualified to vote "under the existing or amended Constitution." As a matter of course everybody voted for a Constitution course everybody voted for a Constitution that enfranchised him, and it was ratified by a large majority.

Doubtless, in these days, the aid of the courts would be invoked to enjoin such a

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Revolutionary as were the changes wrought by it, the Constitution seems to have worked well, and to have given general satisfaction. Peace and prosperity and happiness were the rule in Virginia, as among her awn people, from the time of its adoption until the rude shock to our serenity—the John Brown Raid of 1859—occured.

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There was a money flurry in 1857, but the decade from 1859 to 1860 may be called, without exaggerating, a happy era in the State's career; "haltyon days" in very sooth, and such as we may never hope or expect to see again.

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The change was rude, harsh, bloody, but it came from without, and while all was serene in our own borders, and among our own people, and the State was in the heyday of its life and fame. Afterwards-the deluge!

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It seems very certain that, but for the clash with the Federal government, precipitated by the secession of the States to the South of u., and Mr. Lincoin's call for troops to enforce the "nation's" authority, Virginia would have continued to enjoy a career of prosperity for many years under the Constitution framed by this convention. But the question whether this convention. But the question whether the State should remain in the Union, or reassert her sovereignty as she had re-served the right to do by the express terms of her ratification of the Federal Constituof her ratification of the Federal Constitu-tion, could only be determined by the peo-ple in convention assembled.

The convention was duly called, met. de-liberated, and, with great reluctance, passed an ordinance of secession, and also framed

a new Constitution.

This convention, and the Wheeling and Alexandria conventions, so-called, will be the subject of the next paper. W. W. S.

of the American Board. The man selected was the Hon. S. B. Capen, of Boston. He was the father of the Committee of Fifteen, and its president or chairman. Soon after his election to the board his

Fifteen, and its president or chairman. Soon after his election to the board his resignation from the committee, not its presidency but the committee, was announced, and a few months after that he was found wholly to have changed views upon the advisability of such a body as the Committee of Fliteen undertaking administration, or even advisory functions, upon the same level of authority, much less higher authority, of the executives of the various boards.

THE POINT OF ATTACK.

A point of attack on the part of the churches, an attack started two years ago, was the succession in executive membership of the boards. These boards, having headquarters three in New York and three in Boston, have of necessity members who live in or near these cities, in order that they may attend without too great inconvenience. The churches began to wonder whether, as years go by, the boards have not become self-perpetuating bodies through the election of

Polish Dance, (Scharwenka). Waitz, "Janice Meredith," (Gustin).
"A Night in Berlin," (Hartman).
(a) Chilean Dance, "Manana," (Mis-OVER CHURCH'S BENEVOLENCES.

sud); (b) At a Georgia Camp-Meeting, (Kerry Mils).

11. Star Spangled Banner and Dixie.
Concerts for the week will be given as

Tuesday—Jefferson, 8:30 to 10:30, Wednesday—Monroe, 8:30 to 10:30, Phursday—Capitol, 5:30 to 7:30. Friday-Marshall, 8:30 to 10:30. Saturday-Reservoir, 5:30 to 7:30.

that their crops are all cut short, and owing to the scarcity they are necessarily high. The melon crop in Hanover will be very short if the dry weather continues. In fact, indications point to a short crop of all farm products as well as vegetables where the drought shall be broken soon. unless the drought shall be broken soon.

News of Railroad Men.

pointed general eastern agent of the Chicago Great Western Railway, vice Mr. C. H. Adair, resigned.

Mr. Chas. B. Robinson, of Peru, Ind.

Mr. Chas. B. Robinson, of Peru, Ind., is the guest of his brother, Mr. F. O. Robinson, chief clerk to superintendent of motive power of the Chesapeake and Ohio. Mr. Robinson is one of the most popular engineers of the Lake Erle and Western, and is taking his first vacation in fifteen years. He will remain in Richmond for a week or ten days.

Major E. D. Hotchkiss, general freight agent of the Chesapeake and Ohio, has

agent of the Chesapeake and Onlo, has returned to the city from New York. Mr. C. T. Goddin, of the car service de-partment of the C. and O., left yesterday for Cool Springs to spend his vacation.

agent. Capt. C. W. Westbury, traveling pas-senger agent of the Southern, spent yester-

Mr. Throckmorton's Pocketbook. Some days ago Mr. R. A. Throckmorton, one of Richmond's best-known citi zens, lost his pocketbook containing \$3.25 and some important papers. It was returned to him yesterday by

Columbus Canepa, who found his name and place of business on the papers and brought it back as soon as possible. Mr. Throckmorton is much gratified and highly appreciates the action of Mr.

Missing Link Track.

On account of repairs on the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac bridge west of the city, the Missing Link Bicycle Track has been closed. The contractors for the work have so barricaded the road that one is upon the barricades before he has time to shake his road and a required.

The schooner Manuel L. Cuza cleared

# NEWS OF HORSES AND HORSEMEN

Progress of the Central Carolina Fair Association-

ITS GROUNDS AND TRACK.

Mr. Lawson Buys Dixon McGregor Atkinson at Poxhall Farm. Boney Boy and Charagrace Both Winners.

(Written for The Times.) The Central Carolina Fair Association, recently organized at Greensboro, N. C., starts out with a bright prospect, and active preparations are being made for the first annual fair and race meeting, to be held at Greensboro on October 9th, 19th, 19th and 12th, next. The officers of the Association are J. Van Lindley, president; W. H. Os-borne, first vice-president; Caesar Cone, second vice-president; J. S. Carr, third vicepresident; J. H. Walsh, secretary; Fred. Taylor, assistant secretary, and Neil El-lington, treasurer.

Secretary Waish, who was for many years connected with the Southern Rail-way, is well known and popular as a busi-ness man, while a practical horseman also, having owned and driven quite a number of having owned and driven quite a number of speedy trotters and pacers. Land has been purchased for the grounds and track, and a large force of workmen are engaged in preparing the site, which is a beautiful ore, only about one mile out from the corporate limits of Greensboro. First-class buildings and stables will be erected, while a half-mile track will be built, and expense will not be spared to make it the fastest and not be spared to make it the fastest and safest course in the State. It will be level frm start to finish, well thrown up at the turns and forty feet wide on the stretches. An attractive race programme is being prepared, and purses of sufficient size will be offered to attract some good horses, including trotters, pacers and runners. This fair takes place during the week following the Virginia State Fair and Race Meeting at Norfolk, and very likely the majority of the horsemen will ship from there to the Central Carolina Fair. Greensboro is well located, being easily reached from various points, and the indications are that large crowds will gather daily during the fair

Over the half-mile track at Acca Farm, which is only a short distance out from the city, William L. Bass is working quite a large string of trotters and pacers, some of which have records, but the majority are green horses that have not yet started in a race. None of them have been hur-ried in their preparation, the fastest mile given any horse in the stable being 2:21 1-4, and that stands to the credit of the bay pacing mare Fern, by Petoskey, though the brown mare Steed, 2:22 1-4, also a pacer, has worked several miles right around her record. The black gelding Crow, by Rupee, 2:30, has been given a number of miles between 2:25 and 2:30, but has shown quarters at a very much faster clip. The Brown Hal pacer, Flg Jim, who is a g'ant in size, has gone a mile in 2:24, finishing easy, and Bass thinks he will make a race horse. One of the best prospects in the stable is  $\alpha$  bay gelding, five years old, by Great Stakes, dam by Lyle Wilkes, owned by Mr. George D. Bennett, of Goldsbore, N. C. The gelding was bred by Captain Join L. Roper, of Norfolk, Va., who owned the sire and dam, and has the speed, dis-position and galt of a race horse.

In addition to those mentioned the stable includes John Addington, 2:22 1-2, pacing, b. g., by Clare Alpine; Branchwood, 2:22 1-2, b. g., by Clare Alpine; Branchwood, 2:22 1-2, pacing, b. g., by Woodburn Hambletonian; Spectacular, blk. m., by Spectator, dam by Volunteer; Serpentine, b. m., by Mambrino Boy, dam Remembrance, by George Wilkes; Thiol, b. m., 4, by Egwood, dam by Woodburn Hambletonian; Ellen Brodnax, b. m., 4, full sister to Miss Nelson, 2:11 1-4, by Norfolk; Belle of Whitby, b. m., 5, full sister to Janie S., 2:221-2, by Egwood; Marie, b. m., by Jolly Friar, dam by Sam Purdy; Miss Parker, b. m., full sister to Marie; Leveret, by A. L. Kempland, dam Laurel B., dam of Laurels, 2:15 1-4.
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Bass will make his first start of the sea-son at Cape Charles, Va., in August, and will follow up the Eastern Maryland and

Delaware circuit.

Mr. R. M. Lawson, Burke's Garden,
Va., has purchased of the Preston Stock Farm, Preston, Minn., the bay colt. Dix-on McGregor, two years old, by Bay Mc Gregor, 2:29 1-2, dam by Madison Smith, 2:191-4, the son of Herod, 2:24 1-2. This 2:19 1-4, the son of Herod, 2:24 1-2. This colt has been in the hands of the Messrs. Parker, Decorah, Iowa, who developed and marked Shrimp, 2:15 1-4, and Enga, 2:21 1-2, over half mile tracks. Mr. Lawson, who owns an elegant estate of sev eral hundred acres, has been interested as owner and breeder of trotters for a number of years past. The fast mare Annine Lawson, 2:20, by Prince Orloff, was owned by him, as were her dam and was owned by him, as were her dam and several full sisters to that roan daughter of Prince Orloff. Mr. Lawson also formerly owned the bay stallion Planeteer, by Electioneer, dam Planetia, by Planet, throughbred son of Revenue, who was bred at Palo Alto Farm, California, purchased as yearling and taken to Burke's Garden, where he was kept in the stud for several seasons. Dixon McGregor is described as a very hand-some colt, as would be expected from his ancestry, and he should prove a great cross for the highly bred mares in that section of Virginia, to which he has been

In the bay gelding Belton, Jr., by Bel-In the bay gelding Belton, Jr., by Belton, 2:17 1-4, the son of Belmont, purchased of John Spratley, Dendron, Va. Mr. A. B. Gwathmey, of the Cotton Exchange, New York, has one of the speediest trotters to be seen on the famous Harlem River speedway. In looks, conformation and manners, this horse is a model, while either in single harness or model, while either in single harness or to pole he has few equals. Earlier in the season Belton, Jr., was driven to pole with that great mare Louise Mac. 2:09-3-4, and the pair could show a terrific rate of speed, but the latter is now in training at Empire City Park, where trainer Chas. A. Thompson has the highly formed chestnut daughter of Little Corporal in fine shape. In her work Louise Mac has already shown two minute speed and ready shown two minute speed and Phompson thinks she is easily capable of lowering her record several seconds.

At Chicago on the 13th instant Robert Bradley's chestnut gelding, Boney Boy, 4,

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The James.

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My eyes seem vainly spying. For far from their range does the vision

And his story that never is told. In the evening breeze, through the waving

trees Where the shadows are falling fast, dream

dream
With the visions of days that are past:
Of knightly men and of ladies fair
Who met 'neath the same bright moon, And danced and sang and learned to

Ah! This wearying life, with its constant

How it jars, it grinds and it grates; And we wonder why, and we long and

A life that was sweet, and real and Gallant men and queen-like dames, Who lived as we're forgotion to live— On the shores of the standed Jamess. WELLS J. HAWKS. On the James, July 12, 1909.

cently established at Cliffor I, Rutherford ounty, North Carolina, Bettie Hollins has been appointed postmaster at a postoffice which was recently established at Sheifar, Louisa county, Va. W. L. Thomas has been appointed post-master at Leasburg, Caswell county, North Carolina, vice J. H. Stanfield re-

Carolini, vice W. H. Plammons resigned.
Acting Assistant Surgeon Harrison W.
Stuckey, of the United States Army has
been relieved from temporary duty at
Columbus Barraceks, Ohlo, and will proceed at once to Fort Myer, Va., and reperson to the commanding officer Phillippine Islands, Second Lleutenant Arthur F. Cassels, of the Seventh United States Artillery has been directed to pro-ceed without delay to Fort Monroe, Va., and join Battery B, of the Seventh United

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EVERE CRITICISM:

This latter point has long caused much discussion among the congregations. Too many efficers for the amount of work accomplished has been the charge. A salary and expense list running a long way above \$100,000 a year has been claimed to be excessive. Criticism, in so far as it has taken definite form, has been almed at the executives of the principal boards, namely the Congregational Home Missionary, the American Missionary, the American Board and the Church Bullding Society. The secretaries have not escaped, the claim being general that there are too many of them, too many treasurers, and too much office and field machinery.

The Committee of Fifteen, which represents the churches, started out with continuism. The Hon. S. B. Capen, of Boston, was made its chairman, for he more than any one else set the agitation on foot which resulted in the naming of the body. St. Louis, Chicago, Cleveland, Boston, New York and other Congregational centres were represented. One meeting was held and a report made upon Pure, Sparkling, Healthful,

land, Boston, New York and other Con-gregational centres were represented. One recting was held and a renort made upon finances. It was not a radical report, but was one looked upon as a good beginning. Paople said that at last the churches were in a fair way to gain control over their own boards, to correct wrongs in edministration and to lessen cost and increase results. The retirement of the late Rev. Dr. Btorrs, of Brooklyn, and the death of the Rev. Dr. Lamson, of Hartford, made Beaufent Lithia Springs Co. No. 1013 East Main St.

the board opposed, and that the churches which contribute the funds are powerless to change the executives.

Last February there was a conference of executives of the six boards. It made as a conference certain recommendations, and they being accepted, a Committee of Nine resulted. It is made up as follows: Judge J. H. Perry, of the Home Missionary Society; Charies A. Hull, the American Missionary; A. E. Dunning, editor of the "Congregationalist," the Sunday-School Society; R. T. Hall, the Building Society; W. H. Wilcox, the Education Society, and S. B. Capen, the American Board, These six named three more—viz.: Dr. L. C. Warner, New York; W. H. Strong, Detroit, and H. H. Proctor, Boston. This committee had one meeting recently, and made a report, which has not yet been published. It decided to select no chairman, but to let each serve in turn.

It represents the six boards, and ap-

the same men over and over again. When it was sought to accomplish certain things in one of the boards the discovery was made that nothing could be done because the board opposed, and that the churches which contribute the funds are powerless

lect no chairman, but to let each serve in turn.

It represents the six boards, and appears to be in conflict with the Committee of Fifteen, which represents the churches. If it is not so, its existence, many say, is unnecessary, since the Fifteen Committee is already in existence, and must remain in existence until the next meeting of the National Council. It is known that prominent members of the Executive Committee of at least one of the boards is working night and day to defeat the proposition to change the membership and secure some sort of rotation. If successful in this organization, the annual meeting of which is soon to be held, the contest will be pushed to other societies, and constitutional enactments requiring such rotation, already adopted, will be repealed if possible. The Committee of Nine has adjourned to meet again in September.

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tember.
Government of Congregational affairs is by conference and committee. Interests affecting a membership of 600,000 and \$2,000,000 a year are involved.

GRAND LODGE I. O. O. F.

Local Committees Perfecting Plans for Their Entertainment. A conference has been held by the Exe-

cutive Board having in charge the entertainment of the Sovereign Grand Lodge of Odd-Fellows, at its approaching meeting, with the chairmen of the various subcommittees and many plans were out-lined. The sum of \$1,000 was appropriated to be used in offering cash prizes for the exemplification of the work of the Order and competitive drills by the Patriarchs Milltant, which is known as the military branch. It is believed that this amount will attract a great many lodges and encampments that might not otherwise u

Preliminary arangements were made for securing a large number of carriages and horses for use in the great parade, which is to take place on Wednesday, Septem-

A bulletin, showing the entertainments to be provided, with information as to side trips, etc.. was ordered to be printed, and not less than 10,000 copies distributed. It is expected that there will be a banquet at the Jefferson Hotel during the week, but this has not been definitely determined. It is certain, however, that an outing either down James river to James-town or to Old Point will be provided for

Saturday, September 15th.

The Committee on Badges is now considering the number of designs and expect to get up a handsome badge for the representatives, upon which the seai of Virginia will be impressed. There are nineteen sub-committees and they are now all buslly at work reporting at brief intervals to the Executive Board. Every detail necessary to make a great succe of the coming convention is receiving careful attention.

### CONCERTS OF THE WEEK.

Excellent Programme Arranged By Professor Iardella,

The following excellent programme for the week has been arranged by Bandmaster Felix Iardella:

1. March, "Peace Forever," (Lacalle).
2. Overture, "Light Cavalry," (Suppe).
3. (a) "The Crack Regiment Patrol," (Tobian); (b) "Ma Rag-Time Baby," (Stone).

Solo for Xyophon, Galop Brillant, Mr.

r. Pulling (Hilbrecht). Gloria from Twelfth Mass, (Mozart). Selection from Opera "Wang,"

Monday-Chimborazo, 8:30 to 10:30.

### VEGETABLES GO UP.

Drought Causes Rise in Prices of All

Eatables in This Line. Owing to the long-continued drought vegetables of all sorts have advanced in price The truckers around Richmond say

Mr. Burton G. Saunders has been ap

agent of the Chesapeake and Ohio, has

The annual meeting of the agents of the Kanawha Despatch will be held at White Sulphur Springs next Thursday and Friday. Mr. Frank T. Walker is the local

day at Chase City.

Mr. H. B. Snyder, formerly chief clerk
to Superintendent West, of the Southern,
left yesterday for Selma, Ala., to assume his new duties as train dispatcher.

to slacken his pace, and as a result colli-sions are liable to occur, injuring both the rider and his wheel.

from the Custom House yesterday for St. John's New Brunswick, with 200,000 feet of lumber.

Charles Atkinson, the weil-known trainer and driver, who for several seasons past has been with John Mariner, of the Driving Park, Norfolk, Va., has severed his connection with Mr. Mariner and has engaged with Capt, John L. Roper, of the Foxhall Farm, Norfolk, Both Capt, Roper and Mr. F. Covington, the managers at Foxhall, think well of Atkinson, who has developed and driven a number of good horses to their records. There is some promising material at Foxhall, the get of the farm's premier sire, Great Stakes,

the next furlong.

The fast mare Eva Rice was leading, but a furlong from home Boney Boy was on even terms with the pacemaker, and Bullman fairly lifting his mount at every leap, passed the wire a full length to the good. It is said that \$50,000 changed hands on the race. What was not on Boney Boy to win was on Eva Rice for the place at \$1.50.

the next furlong.

promising material at Foxnai, the get of the farm's premier sire, Great Stakes, 2:20, and other good stallions, and the chances are that Atkinson will do well with the material placed in his hands.

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At Brighton Beach on the 14th instant, the Ellersile bred horse Charagrace, 5, by imp. Charaxus, out of Young Grace, won the Punchtown Steeplechase, distance about two and a half miles, in 5:11 2-5, defeating Trillion, Old Tank and four others. Charagrace is one of the best cross country horses out this season and has won some grood races. The son of Charaxus is a stoutly bred horse, his dam Young Grace being by Eolus, second dam Grace Darling, dam of Diublo, by Jones-boro, son of Lexington, third dam Ninette,

boro, son of Lexington, third dam Ninette, sister to Revenue, and fourth dam the famous Nina, by Boston.

James Fletcher, one of the cidest and best known of the local trainers here, is quartered at the Glenlea Farm Track, where he is working a string of trotters and search Elicabether stable includes the and pacers. Fletcher's stable includes the pacer Smith O'Brien, 2:191-4, by Aparka, dam Ada M., 2:30, by Corsnir; Miss Mosul bay mare, 4, by Willis, out of Virginia Maid, dam of Mosul, 2:091-4, by Sam Purdy, and four others, among them the bay stallion Willis, by Jay Bird, dam Mild May,

by Lumps.

The Manassas Horse Show, which has be The Manussas Flore Show, which has become a fixed institution, and is the biggest affair of its kind in Virginia, begins at Manassas on Tuesday, the 25th instant, and continues two days. The entry list is larger than on previous occasions, while the quality of material to be shown is of the quality of material to be shown is of rather a higher class, and the attendance promises to be very large, so Secretary J. Jenkyn Davies is in high feather, as is President C. A. Heineken. In the entry list exhibitors are to be found from various sections, and there will be warm contests for most of the prizes offered.

The Maryland and Virginia Fair Circuit ones at Case Charles Va., on August

opens at Cape Charles, Va., on Augustith, and for twelve consecutive weeks will afford the horses constant employment From Cape Charles the route is as fol-lows: Tasley, Va.; Upper Mariboro, Eas-ton, Tolchester, Timonium, Rockville; then the Baltimore tracks, Prospect Park, Gentlemen's Driving Park and 'Lectric Park; Dover, Del.; Bel Air and Georgeown, Md. Colonel Robert Hough, Bulti-

more, is the secretary.

The Rockingham Horse and Colt Show, to be held at Harrisonburg on August 23d and 24th, will be the most important event of the kind this season in the Valley of Virginia, and the attendance promises to be large. Dr. J. A. Meyers, the secretary, writes that the outlook is very bright, and that the exhibits will be more numerous and of a higher class than on previous occasions.

Mr. James C. Smyth, of Smyth Brothers, proprietors of the Southern Horse Bazaar, is visiting at the home of his father, Pravo, Ohio. Mr. Smyth and his twin brother, Thomas M., conduct the Southern Bazaar, and during their residence of several years in this city have established an enviable reputation for fair dealing and correct business methods, both here and in various other sections. other sections.

Imported Saville, the English bred son of Hampton and Lillian, by Wingraye, who heads the Mayfield stud, Leesburg, Va, slands at a fee of \$25, and his book has

over closed for it. May sid is the property of J. S. Curtis, the South African millionaire, who has, in addition to Saville, four other imported stallions, while he maintains a racing stable in England also.

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R. L. Plemmons has been appointed postmaster at Lee, Madison county, North Carolina, vice W. H. Plemmons resigned. States Artillery.

Mr. Philip Thomas, of Church Hill, has had quite a spell of sickness, but is re-ported to be about, well again.

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